(b)

(Rs. In thousands)

	Total Amount of Stores losses due to theft etc.	Losses due to Aviation items	Other items of losses
1984-85	7,17,70	6,09,66	1,08,04
1985-86	10,19,24	9,78,95	40,29
1986-87	15,09.08	13,71,46	1,37,62

(c) A series of steps have been taken by the Government to check the increasing trend in the quantum of such losses in Air Force, *inter-alia* these are:—

(i) Patrolling by DSC has been intensified and additional guard posts have been created in vulnerable areas;

(ii) Movement of store items is being closely monitored and compliance with the prescribed procedure is being strictly enforced;

(iii) With a view to contain losses, recourse has been taken to continued training through 'On the job training', one day training in a week, briefing about natural hazards, posting of experienced supervisors, enforcement of correct technical practices and close vigilance and rigorous checks on the professionalism of pilots. Detailed instructions have also been issued to prevent other losses. Vigilance checks are carried out in addition to periodic stock taking. All losses due to theft, fraud and neglect are investigated by Courts of Inquiry to ascertain the cause and pinpoint responsibility.

Evaluation of Indo-Sri Lanka accord

284. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have since evaluated the working of the Indo-Sri Lanka Accord and come to any conclusion of its success; and

(b) what are the clauses of the said Accord that have so far been implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) The implementation of the Indo-Sri Lanka Agreement is under constant review in consultation between the Governments of India and Sri Lanka.

(b) A number of steps have been taken in the implementation of the Agreement. As envisaged in the Agreement, the Sri Lanka Government have withdrawn their forces to pre-May 25, 1987, positions. Most of the Home Guards have been disarmed and the S.T.F. withdrawn from the Eastern Province. The Sri Lanka Government has declared amnesty for Militants who lay down arms and support the Agreement. Over 3,000 Tamil political prisoners have been released. The return of Tamil refugees from India and the process of resettlement of displaced persons is going on. The Sri Lanka Government have amended their constitution and have passed legislation to set up the Provincial councils. Sri Lanka Government have reaffirmed that the Northern and the Eastern Provinces will be merged from the date of elections in these provences as envisaged under the Agreement. Tamil has beeen made an official language.